already been delivered. The remaining two aircraft are expected to be delivered during the period December, 1993—June, 1994.

Indian Airlines had ordered 12 A-320 aircraft, out of which, six have already joined the fleet of Indian Airlines. The remaining six aircraft will be delivered during the period from December, 1993 to December, 1994.

Air India is considering acquisition of a few aircraft in the next few years. However, a final decision in the matter is yet to be taken. Indian Airlines is not considering acquisition of any aircraft at present as it has enough capacity to meet the traffic requirements.

Construction Cost of New Airports in M.P.

40. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of New Airports in the State of Madhya Pradesh which are not yet under operation;

(b) the estimated cost of construction of each of these Airports according to annual plan-outlay;

(c) whether Government propose to hand-over some airports to private sector; and

(d) the details of annual budgetary allocation of financial assistance to Madhya Pradesh for maintenance of airports, airport-wise?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) The National Airports Authority has not constructed any new airport in Madhya Pradesh.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The National Airports Authority maintains its airports. No financial assistance is given to State Governments for maintenance of airports.

Schemes for Development of Tourism

41. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government observed the World Tourism Day on 27th September, 1993;

(b) if so, what were the highlights of the programme; and

(c) whether any schemes for development of tourism in conformity with ecology have been laid down if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The message from World Tourism Organisation was circulated to all Government of India Tourist Offices, State Govts. and agencies concerned with tourism. Cultural programmes, facilitation of international tourists at various entry points, press publicity, such as, release of a special advertisement, distribution of literature, discounted tours, etc were amongst the highlights of programmes undertaken for celebration of this Day.

(c) The Department of Environment has issued detailed guidelines and directives for conservation of ecology which are strictly adhered to while approving various schemes for development of tourism.

Investment in Tourism

42. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken/are being taken to liberalise investment in tourism while checking eco-hazards; and

(b) what is the target of tourist traffic in respect of foreign and Indian tourists